

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
POWER
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MEGA PROJECT STATUS OF BELLARY TPP IN KARNATAKA
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Will the Minister of POWER be pleased to state:

- (a) whether there is any proposal from the Government of Karnataka seeking mega project status for the Bellary Thermal Power Project in Karnataka;
- (b) if so, the action taken, if any, in this regard;
- (c) whether the recognition helps the above project to get waiver of excise duty for components used; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF POWER (SHRIMATI JAYAWANTI MEHTA)

(a) to (e) : Karnataka Power Corporation Ltd. (KPCL), a power generation company of the Government of Karnataka has requested that power projects having a minimum capacity of upto 500 MW be considered for the benefits available to mega power projects. As per the existing policy of Government of India, the Mega Power Project status is currently available to the new thermal power projects having capacity of 1000 MW and above. Bellary Thermal Power Project having capacity of 500 MW does not fulfill the criteria laid down for according Mega Power status.